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To VIKTOR[i].

"ARSENIJ"[ii] has been keeping up an acquaintance for some months with an engineer of the [REDACTED] — [REDACTED] has passed favorable comments about our country in ARSENIJ's presence and has expressed a wish to go to work there after the war. V. is a Swiss. He was born in Hungary. From 19xx he lived in Switzerland where he received a technical education. In 1922 he went across to the COUNTRY[STRANA][iii], became acquainted with SIKORSKIJ[iv] and in [C% 1923] worked with him. In 1930 he worked for the firm North American, after that Consolidated.

[53 groups unrecoverable]

who expressed their opinion openly. He is living in the settlement of [REDACTED] on the street WA.....LA. According to our people's information about him [2 groups unrecovered] his views and technical knowledge represent [1 group unrecovered] interest for us. [3 groups unrecovered] has outstanding experts. He knows the English, French, German, Hungarian languages.

Please check and report your decision about the possibility of using him.

No. 550

LUKA[v]

Comments:

- [i] VIKTOR: Lt. Gen. P.M. FITIN.
- [ii] ARSENIJ: Andrej Ivanovich SheVChENKO.
- [iii] STRANA: U.S.A.
- [iv] Igor Ivan SIKORSKIJ, founder of the Sikorsky Aeronautical Engineering Company in 1923.
- [v] LUKA: Pavel P. KLARIN.